



## *Parents of the Academy of Science and Technology*

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Dear Academy families,

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On behalf of the board of Parents of the Academy of Science and Technology (PAST), I would like to welcome our new and returning families to the 2020-2021 school year. It has been a trying time these past few months and we hope that getting your students prepared and back into school will be a welcome and positive event. We, at PAST, wish all of our parents and students a warm welcome and an encouraging start to a new chapter.

The Academy staff and our parent organization have been working hard to prepare for another successful year at the Academy. Given the current uncertainty, we are still hoping that our incoming freshman can complete their Fish Camp initiation in the late summer or early fall. We have tentatively booked our annual All Academy Pool Party for Aug 9, 2020 from 6-8pm.

During these unprecedented times, PAST remains committed to support and strengthen the educational programs for all our students at AST. We cannot do this without your help and financial contribution. With our annual PAST budget of approximately \$40,000 we rely fully on our families joining PAST, your generous donations and your employer's corporate gift matching contributions. We are able to supplement our income when you join our loyalty programs, including Amazon Smile and Kroger, but our main income comes directly from your membership. Thanks to your generous support we have been able to purchase classroom and laboratory equipment, computers, monitors and additional teaching tools. PAST financially supports the annual AST Senior gala, the students' exploration credits and other needs that are not covered by the school's budget.

Each year we strive for a 100% membership. Today, I am asking that you please join PAST at <http://web.pastforthefuture.org/join-p-a-s-t/>. For your convenience I have also attached a hard copy of our membership form. All PAST members will receive the Academy directory and will also gain access to our online directory and our senior families will benefit from discounted tickets to the AST Senior Gala.

Additionally, there are many enjoyable opportunities to volunteer with PAST. I encourage you to support your student's education today by joining PAST and signing up to volunteer on the attached form. Our students, teachers and staff are extremely grateful for your support and could not do it without you.

As we wait for the state and district to issue their guidelines for the summer and fall school activities, I look forward to meeting you all as members of PAST in the fall. Please feel free to contact me at [ivana.warma@gmail.com](mailto:ivana.warma@gmail.com) if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you again for your support, as we all strive to make a significant difference in your child's education through AST and PAST.

Warmly,

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PAST President 2020-2021